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SUBJECT: AMTORG PLANS FOR FUTURE EXPANSION

1. DURING CALL AT DEPARTMENT DECEMBER 13, ACTING SOVIET
TRADE REPRESENTATIVE K.G. TRETYAKOV AND AMTORG PRESIDENT
V.I. BESSMERTNIY OUTLINED AMTORG FUTURE PLANS AND
PRESENTED LETTER ADVISING OF WISH TO ENLARGE STAFF BY 20
TO 25 NEW POSITIONS DURING 1974. BESSMERTNIY CLAIMED MANY
OF NEW POSITIONS WOULD BE TO FACILITATE VISITS TO THE US
BY SOVIET FOREIGN TRADE ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVES AND
TO PROMOTE SOVIET EXPORTS TO THE U.S. HE SAID THE NEED
FOR ADDITIONAL SOVIET DRIVERS IS PARTICULARLY ACUTE.

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2. BESSMERTNIY IMPLIED THE CURRENT AMTORG ANNUAL TRADE TURNOVER HAS INCREASED TO ROUGHLY 45 MILLION DOLLARS. IN ADDITION, AMTORG HAS MAJOR FOLLOW-UP RESPONSIBILITIES FOR OTHER LARGE CONTRACTS SIGNED BY FOREIGN TRADE ORGANIZATIONS.

3. IN REPLY TO THE SOVIET PRESENTATION, DEPARTMENT OFFICERS UNDERTOOK TO STUDY AMTORG LETTER BUT MADE NO COMMENT ON PROPOSED STAFF INCREASE.

4. COMMENT: THE DEPARTMENT PLANS TO OBTAIN A GOVERNMENT CONSENSUS SOON ON THE STAFF PATTERN FOR AMTORG. UNTIL THEN, DEPARTMENT WILL DEFER ACTION ON PENDING VISA APPLICATIONS

TO FILL NEW POSITIONS. AS OF DECEMBER 19, APPLICATIONS ARE PENDING FOR TRUKHIN, G.B. (MOSCOW 15452), VINOGRADOV, N.M. (MOSCOW 10814), MATVEYEV, N.M. (MOSCOW 12292), NESERKIN, V.D. (MOSCOW 10282), AND SHEKANOV, YE. (MOSCOW 6390). RUSH

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